

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission  
City of Jasper, Indiana  
June 7, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7, 2016, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Mike Jones, Pat Thyen, Gary Moeller, Linda Kahle, Becky Hickman, Darla Blazey and Kyle Rupert. **Commission Members Absent:** Sherry Monesmith, Jay Hamlin, Beth Seidl and Selena Vonderheide: **Staff Members Present:** Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Karen Grewe, Corina Mack, Emily Colucci and Donna Schepers. **City Attorney:** Renée Kabrick **Guests in attendance:** Candy Neal, Jim O'Neal and Prisma Lopez-Marin. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Pat Thyen** moved to approve the minutes of the regular May meeting and the minutes from the special meeting held on May 12. **Darla Blazey** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

**City Financial Statement**

**Kyle Rupert** moved to approve the claims and financial statement as presented. **Linda Kahle** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

**Public Business**

Kyle Rupert mentioned Actors Community Theatre will be having a dunk tank booth at the Strassenfest and if anyone is interested in sitting in the tank for a shift to please contact him.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Director's Report/Performing Arts**

Kit reported.

- Kit requested approval to attend the Arts Midwest Conference in September. The cost is approximately \$1500 and is in the budget. **Gary Moeller** moved to allow Kit to attend. **Becky Hickman** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- The 2016/2017 Season Guide is at the printers. It will be available by the end of next week.
- Kit distributed the proposed 2017 budget to the board. Next year we need to look at raising our ticket prices because we are unnaturally low compared to our contemporaries. A recommendation for immediate attention is to raise education show prices from \$2.50 to \$3.00 per student. Donna stated she has mentioned this to Jasper School principals and the Superintendent. After some discussion, **Gary Moeller** moved to adjust the education price from \$2.50 to \$3.00 per student effective July 1, 2016. **Kyle Rupert** seconded. Motion passed 7-0. A couple of items in the budget are a wide angle projector and electric chain motor. **Mike Jones** moved to accept the proposed budget to present to the Common Council. **Darla Blazey** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- Charles Meyer has been hired to fill the vacant custodian position. Sami Pfaff has been hired as the summer intern.
- Sarah Leonard and a couple of people from Decatur, IL came in to see how we do the Chalk Walk and learn more about how our art center was formed and operates.

**Building and Structure Report**

Doreen reported.

- Doreen opened 2 quotes for the roof repair project from Hedinger Roofing and Schmidt Contracting. Streicher Construction informed Doreen they would not be submitting a quote. Hedinger Roofing's quote is \$17,800. Schmidt Contracting's quote is \$21,500. Doreen stated the estimate for this job was \$15,000. Discussion followed. The LED lights for the parking lot came in below budget, so there is money in the budget from that project. **Mike Jones** moved to accept

Hedinger Roofing's quote based on the ability to transfer funds from one line item to this project line item to cover the cost. **Gary Moeller** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

- LED lights in the parking lot are installed. A big thank you to the Electric Department for cost savings on the lights and installation.

### **Education Report**

Donna reported.

- Dr. Gray wants to put the Kennedy Center Partnership bison on a flatbed and enter it in the Strassenfest parade and asked how the flatbed could be decorated for the parade. Donna asked for the board for support and to sponsor putting the bison in the parade and to assist with the implementation. After some discussion, the board suggested Donna talk to Dr. Gray about a VUJC student organization taking on this task.

### **Visual Arts Report**

Emily reported.

- Plein Air/Quick Draw event drew more entrants this year than last year.
- Mark Brosmer is the exhibiting artist in the gallery for June. We had 75 to 100 people in attendance at the First Thursday reception.
- There is still time to sign up for July ARTventures classes. The deadline for July classes is the end of June.

### **Project Coordinator Report**

Corina reported.

- Chalk Walk was postponed due to rain. This Saturday is supposed to be a scorcher but sunny. We can use volunteers if you aren't signed up or know of anyone. We always lose a few volunteers when the rain date is used.
- Question was asked about the mural. The Business owners are supposed to be in contact with Corina. She has not heard from them yet. Corina will follow up with them. The artist is still available for September. There is some money budgeted but an additional \$1500 will be needed. We can talk internally about where that money will come from.

### **Old Business**

- Renée stated a telephone conference was held in May, with herself, Christine Golden, Barry Albertson and Kit Miracle. City Visions feels good about the design for space for all entities. City Visions did another walk through for engineering and soil analysis. No new concerns were found. City Visions is working on two concepts that should be available by next week. Geothermal energy is being recommended at this time. The next phone conference is scheduled for June 13.
- Linda Kahle reported Jasper LEADs has had several meetings and has raised an additional \$425,000. They feel they are off to a good start.

### **New Business**

None

### **Adjournment**

**Gary Moeller** moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. **Linda Kahle** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

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Mike Jones

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Attested